

AUTO COURT PLEA LOST; TRAILER CAMP IS OKAYED

George Tomajic failed in his petition to build an auto court at 4129 Pacific Coast highway at the City Council meeting Tuesday night, because of lack of sewer facilities and presence of high water in the rainy season.

Sam Goldfaden won permission to establish a trailer camp at 1804 Torrance Blvd., however, the entrance to be from 212th street.

HEAR "BIBLE INSTITUTE HOUR"
Sunday—KHJ—8:00 A.M.
Featuring Dr. Louis T. Talbot
Bible Institute of Los Angeles

Wilcox Reported Fined \$10,000 In Fraud Case

Roland Wilcox, named as an oil equipment operator of the Torrance and Wilmington area, is reported to have been one of those fined \$10,000 in what has been termed a "war frauds case" in the court of Federal Judge Leon R. Yankwich Monday.

Wilcox and others were reported to have been "bilking" the government of \$200,000 by collusive bidding on war contracts. The others included Eugene C. Brisbane, of South Gate, Anson Brown, Long Beach and Robert W. McBurney, of Maywood.

Community Chest Drive Committees Take Field As Annual Appeal Starts

Torrance citizens are asked to give \$18,364 as their share of the \$6,493,200 needed to support next year the services to veterans, dependent children, families in trouble, the needy sick, and for youth group activities through 132 Community Chest agencies, according to Chairman Russell Lund of the fund drive.

Frederick Cook, a campaign vice chairman of the establishments division, and the Rev. Paul Moore Wheeler, in charge of special gifts solicitation, already have begun their work, with the main body of volunteers expected to take the field in the business and residential districts following the rally next Monday night with Gardena and Palos Verdes in the Gardena High School, according to Lund.

Asking generous support of the Red Feather appeal, which unites 90 percent of all organizations which depend upon private contributions to meet vital needs, Lund calls attention to the many benefits received immediately in Torrance from participation in the Community Chest. Through holding appeals to a single united annual appeal and by services of nearly 50,000 volunteers in the metropolitan area, fund-raising costs are held to the minimum and are not duplicated as would be the case if 152 independent campaigns were held. Through community planning by volunteer leadership, maximum needs are met at minimum costs.

In order that prospective contributors to the Chest appeal may know of services given in Torrance by the agencies, the Herald is glad to repeat service figures as released in its issue of Aug. 29, last.

"Families served in times of trouble, in emergencies caused by illness, accident, death or desertion, care of destitute mothers with children, and work with adult offenders, among other problems, 199. Service given by Catholic Welfare Bureau, Family Service Society, International Institute, Jewish Social Bureau, Salvation Army, the American Legion, and Legal Aid Clinic.

"Institutional care for children provided in orphanages and other special homes for delinquent and pre-delinquent boys and girls, 18 children. Agencies

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Editor Torrance Herald: Prior to the forming of the Hollywood Riviera Homeowners Association, the people of this community would get together only under rare conditions, when the exploitation of the people of this vicinity became unbearable.

For example, many of our civic minded citizens got together after Pearl Harbor to form a Red Cross unit, and a defense area with air raid wardens, etc. Then again in 1943 our people once more became aroused over our school situation, and at that time we were successful in a petition to become part of the Palos Verdes elementary school system. Much to our regret, however, this was a short-lived victory since the City of Torrance has automatically put our school situation in a much worse state than it was prior to 1943 by voting in a city charter last Aug. 20.

Again our people became aroused in the fall of 1945 by having called to our attention that we were a community assessed at approximately \$1,000,000, part of the City of Torrance, but receiving absolutely no city aid or benefits. Our mail and utilities came from Redondo Beach, our people were interested and accepted Palos Verdes clubs and activities, our children attended Palos Verdes school, our people stopped attending church in Palos Verdes or Redondo, but we paid taxes to the City of Torrance.

Yes, we paid taxes to the City of Torrance. We had nothing which could be called adequate, fire or police protection, in fact at that time we had to place a toll call through the Redondo operator in order to call the Torrance police or fire department. Absolutely nothing had been done by the City of Torrance toward the upkeep of the road repair, no upkeep of our parks which had been deeded to the city.

In fact, when the Community association turned over the upkeep of the tract to the City of Torrance some years ago, the parkway water was turned off. Prior to that time, many residents kept up the parkway in front of their homes. To date, Torrance has refused to turn the water back on and has furnished no men or equipment for such work.

As a result of the above, about 20 of us attended a Torrance City Council meeting last fall. We took turns telling the council of the above situation, but of course very little action was taken. Then the interested residents called a meeting to discuss formation of an organization which would serve our interests.

This meeting was held on Dec. 10, 1945 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albin K. Peterson, at which time Hollywood Riviera Homeowners Association was de-

vised upon as the name for our organization. W. M. Edwards was elected chairman, and Mrs. A. K. Peterson secretary. Committee chairman were elected: Willard Key, on deeds and restrictions; P. E. Rice, water; Raymond Whitney, for Torrance City Council contact; Mrs. W. M. Edwards, publicity chairman and Mrs. Sidney Welch parliamentary. It was decided to meet the first Monday of each month.

At the Feb. meeting G. H. Miller was elected chairman of a committee to draw up by-laws for the association and W. Key was elected to board of directors of community association with offices in Los Angeles, and which organization handles our deed restrictions.

At the April meeting the by-laws were accepted and regular yearly officers were elected. W. M. Edwards, president; Comdr. W. A. Mason, vice president; Mrs. A. K. Peterson, secretary; Mrs. Paul Hines, parliamentary; Mrs. W. M. Edwards, publicity chairman. The various committees were continued.

The purpose of our organization is to further the improvement of and protect the interests of the property owners of this community, and to have a better understanding of, and become better acquainted with our neighbors. The qualification for membership is residence in the community known as Hollywood Riviera.

Our meetings are held in the homes of residents once each month. Guests are welcome to hear the reports of our committees' chairmen, guest speakers, and discussion of vital problems. Anyone interested please call Mrs. A. K. Peterson for date and address of meeting.

Mrs. Wm. W. Edwards
Publicity chairman.

October 11, 1946
Editor, Torrance Herald:
The National Employ the Physically Handicapped Campaign Committee joins the physically handicapped in expressing their sincere thanks for the wonderful co-operation given them by the Newspapers and Employers during "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week."

It is hoped that the Newspapers and Employers will continue to help this worthy cause in the future. Again expressing our appreciation we are
Sincerely,
National Employ the Physically Handicapped Campaign Committee
Harold Gregory,
Chairman
John H. McCoy,
Co-ordinator

October 22, 1946
Editor Torrance Herald:
I wish to thank you for the "High School Air Courses Backed in Resolution by Torrance Aviation Unit" article that appeared in the Torrance Herald. You are to be complimented on having presented the picture very clearly. I am anxious for the time to arrive in the near future when the Torrance flight strip can be brought into active use in connection with our aviation education program.

I should like to have two more copies of the article you sent me, if such is possible, one that I may send to the Superintendent of Schools for this state and the other that Colonel Rhine can forward to the National Commander of the Civil Air Patrol.
Again, my compliments.
Very sincerely,
W. Earl Sams,
Chief, Bureau of Aviation Education, State of California, Department of Education.

October 18, 1946
Editor Torrance Herald:
The West Coast Chapter of the Amphibian Engineers Association, composed of former members of the six (6) Engineer Special Brigades that were activated and served during World War II, is requesting the help of your fine publication to locate ex-"Amphibs" who have

City Sales Tax Law Adopted By Torrance Council

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vessels to be used in operation outside the city.

The permit fee provided is \$1.00 and the first quarterly payment of taxes will be on March 1, 1947. Provision for resale certificates is written into the ordinance, and it provides that all money derived from the tax shall go into the general fund.

It is anticipated that the tax will raise in the neighborhood of \$60,000 a year.

All other cities surrounding Torrance have adopted or are in the process of adopting city sales tax ordinances, it was pointed out, the city government considering the sales tax the most equitable means of meeting rising government operational costs.

Merchants of the city represented by the Chamber of Commerce had agreed to a Torrance city sales tax providing that it is for one year only, and further providing that the City Council immediately consider amendments either to present ordinance or to the new City Charter to permit the appointment of a City Manager.

TARRANTS MEET GARDENA

Torrance high school gridsters meet Gardena tomorrow on the local gridiron at 3 p.m.

not been reached through normal mailing channels. It would be deeply appreciated if your publication would run a small story requesting all former members of any of the 6 Engineer Special Brigades who live on the West Coast and desire to become members of our West Coast Chapter, and who also wish to attend our next meeting on December 14, 1946, to notify 1st Lt. Joseph E. Boyle, Headquarters Second Engineer Special brigade, Fort Ord, California.

This will enable us to adequately inform all former Army "Amphibs" who up to now have been unaware of our association.

On behalf of all members, I desire to thank you for your service in publishing this story.
JOSEPH E. BOYLE,
1st. Lieut. C. E.
Public Relations Officer

Alondra Park Mineral Rights Are Cleared

Quit Claim Deed from Frank S. Livingston and wife, Rose Livingston, former owners of Lot 1, Tract 3321, and Ben Long and wife, Percilla Long, former owners of Lot 2 of fractional section 27, township 3 south, range 14 west S. B. M., were accepted by the Board of Supervisors at its Tuesday meeting and ordered recorded.

According to Supervisor Raymond V. Darby, these tracts of land were portions of Alondra Park acquired in 1928 for park purposes and the giving of these quit claim deeds will obviate any possible question as to whether the county in acquiring this property also acquired the mineral rights under the park which are now being explored by the British American Oil Company by a method of slant drilling for oil.

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CONSTRUCTION TOOLS TAKEN IN LOCAL BURGLARY
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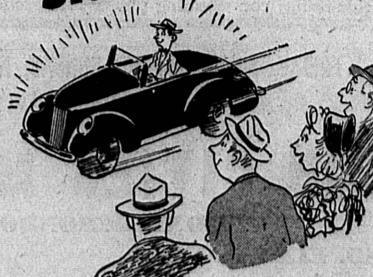
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